

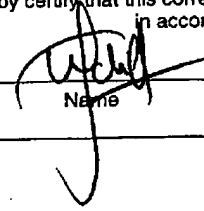
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PLURIPOTENT STEM CELLS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria VA 22313

Dear Sir,

This paper is responsive to the most recent Office Action on the merits, dated June 18, 2003, for which a response is due September 18, 2003. Accompanying this response is a request for a three months' extension of time. Accordingly, this paper is timely filed.

Applicant has given careful consideration to the analysis in the Office Action. Please enter the following remarks.